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TAGS: JA, OVIP, (HIROHITO, EMPEROR)

SUBJECT:IMPERIAL VISIT

FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPT OF PORTION OF NOON WHITE HOUSE  
PRESS BRIEFING FEBRUARY 27 DEALING WITH IMPERIAL VISIT.

Q.IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT EMPEROR HIROHITO HAS  
ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO COME TO WASHINGTON LATE AUGUST OR  
EARLY SEPTEMBER.

A. COULD YOU TELL ME WHERE THAT REPORT COMES FROM?

Q. MUTUAL.

A. WHAT HAVE THEY SAID?

Q. THAT WAS EXACT.

A. HE BROADCASTTHATRIGHT OUT ON THE RADIO?

Q. IN JAPANESE, RON.

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Q. WHAT WAS THE QUESTION?

A. THE QUESTION IS, THE MUTUAL BROADCASTING NETWORK HAS ANNOUNCED THE EMPEROR WILL BE COMING TO THE UNITED STATES. THERE WILL BE A JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT MADE THIS EVENING BY THE JAPANESE AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS.

Q. WHY DON'T YOU MAKE IT NOW, RON.

Q. HAS THE EMBARGO BEEN BROKEN?

Q. WE ARE BACK TO THAT OLD EMBARGO PROBLEM.

A. HAS THE EMBARGO REALLY BEEN BROKEN? "THEIR MAJESTIES, THE EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF JAPAN, HAVE ACCEPTED THE INVITATION OF THE PRESIDENT. I JUST DESTROY EMBARGOES ON THE SPOT. DOES THIS MEAN I WON'T BE ALLOWED TO ASK A QUESTION AT THE NEXT NEWS CONFERENCE?

Q. YOU WILL BE THE 64TH.

A. " TO PAY A STATE VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. THEIR MAJESTIES ARE SCHEDULED TO ENGAGE IN OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS IN WASHINGTON ON OCTOBER 2 AND 3." THE OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THEIR MAJESTIES' VISIT, WHICH WILL LAST ABOUT TWO WEEKS, REMAIN TO BE WORKED OUT. I THINK WHAT YOU BETTER DO IS SAY THAT THE WHITE HOUSE SAID THIS AFTER-THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS RELEASED PREMATURELY IN THE PRESS, OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

Q. BY WHOM?

A. BY THE MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM.

Q. WHY DON'T YOU SAY SOMETHING ABOUT AN ENTERPRISING REPORTER?

A. WHO LISTENS TO THE RADIO?

Q. WHAT DOES "ENGAGE IN OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS" MEAN?  
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MEETINGS AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND STATE DINNER?

A. I JUST DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER DETAILS OF THE VISIT AT THIS POINT. KISSINGER

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